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At the meeting of the Public Service Commission of the State of Montana held at the Commission's Offices in Helena, Montana, on Monday, June 5, 1995, the following members were present:

Nancy McCaffree, Chair
Dave Fisher, Vice Chair
Danny Oberg, Commissioner
Bob Rowe Commissioner

Commissioner Anderson was in Williamsburg, Virginia attending SEARUC. He left votes with the Commission Secretary.

APPEARANCE
Dan Elliott, Administrator
Utility Division

(239) In the matter of City of Lewistown - Docket 95.3.1 1; On May 18, 1995, the City of Lewistown notified the PSC that it is withdrawing its March 13, 1995, application for a water rate increase. Commissioner Oberg moved to approve the draft order approving the withdrawal and dismissing the application. Commissioner Rowe seconded the motion, which passed unanimously. Commissioner Anderson voted aye.

(240) In the matter of WEST YELLOWSTONE GAS CO. - DOCKET NO. 95.4.16; On April 10, 1995, West Yellowstone Gas Co.(WYG)filed an Application with the Commission requesting approval of initial rates for liquefied natural gas (LNG)service to customers in West Yellowstone, Montana. On May 9, 1995, the Commission issued Interim Order 5848 approving the initial rates contingent upon final approval of a waiver from the USDOT, Office of Pipeline Safety (OPS). The waiver was approved by OPS on May 26, 1995. Commissioner Fisher moved to grant Interim Order No. 5848A approving the rates for a period of one year effective from the service date. Commissioner Rowe seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

APPEARANCE
Bonnie Lorang
Transportation Division

(241) In the matter of Docket T-95.32.PCN - Carol T. Place dba Tour de Great Falls, Ulm, Montana has filed for a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity. Parties have stipulated to the following grant of authority:

Class B - Passengers by guided tours to and from points of historical natural and general sightseeing interests/attractions within the City of Great Falls and a twenty-five (25) mile radius thereof. Limitations: Transportation of passengers in charter service is prohibited.

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Commissioner Rowe moved to approve the stipulated grant of authority.
Commissioner Fisher,
seconded the motion, which passed unanimously. Commissioner Anderson voted
aye.

(242) In the matter of the approval of Commission Minutes dated May 1, May
8, 1995, May 15,
1995, May 22, 1995 and May 30, 1995; Commissioner Fisher moved to approve the
minutes.
Commissioner Rowe seconded the motion, which passed unanimously. Commissioner
Anderson
voted aye.

There being no further business to come before the Commission the meeting was
adjourned.

NANCY McCAFFREE, Chair

DAVE FISHER, Vice Chair

BOB ANDERSON, Commissioner

DANNY OBERG, Commissioner

BOB ROWE, Commissioner

ATTEST:

Kathlene M. Anderson
Commission Secretary

(SEAL)

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Bob Rowe Commissioner

Commissioner Anderson was in Williamsburg, Virginia attending SEARUC. He left
votes with
the Commission Secretary and Chair, McCaffree.

APPEARANCE

Dennis Crawford, Martin Jacobson, Joel Tierney

(243) In the matter of the Commission's discussion of its pipeline safety program; Commissioner Oberg moved to authorize staff to enter into a contract with a consultant for not more than \$5,000.00 to train master meter operators. Commissioner Rowe seconded the motion, which passed unanimously. Commissioner Anderson voted aye.

APPEARANCE

Bonnie Lorang, Martin Jacobson

(244) In the matter of the Commission's discussion of the application for Montana temporary intrastate operating authority for Victor I. Pizzola dba Valley Taxi, Hamilton, Montana - Docket No. T-95-30.PCN; Commissioner Fisher moved to defer action on the application for temporary operating authority pending the hearing scheduled for the application permanent authority. Commissioner Oberg seconded the motion, which passed. Commissioners Oberg and Fisher voted aye. Commissioners McCaffree and Rowe voted nay. Commissioner Anderson (via proxy to McCaffree) voted aye.

There being no further business to come before the Commission the meeting was adjourned.

NANCY McCAFFREE, Chair

DAVE FISHER, Vice Chair

BOB ANDERSON, Commissioner

DANNY OBERG, Commissioner

BOB ROWE, Commissioner

ATTEST:

Kathlene M. Anderson
Commission Secretary
(SEAL)

Minutes..... June 12, 1995 10:00 a.m.
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At the meeting of the Public Service Commission of the State of Montana held at the Commission's Offices in Helena, Montana, on Monday, June 12, 1995, the following members were present:

Nancy McCaffree, Chair
Dave Fisher, Vice Chair

Bob Rowe Commissioner

Commissioners Anderson and Oberg were absent, but left votes with the Commission Secretary.

APPEARANCE

Dan Elliott, Administrator
Utility Division

(245) In the matter of WilTel - Docket N-95-35; On April 19, 1995, WilTel filed its price list in compliance with the Final Order in Docket No. 94.2.8. WilTel's price list contains the terms, conditions and rates of its services offered in Montana. Staff recommends approval. Commissioner Rowe moved to approve the price list. Commissioner Fisher seconded the motion, which passed unanimously. Commissioners Anderson and Oberg voted aye.

(246) In the matter of AT&T-Docket N-95-44; On May 22, 1995, AT&T filed Advice 95-08 to replace its entire Montana tariff. AT&T's new tariff is being submitted pursuant to the Final Order in Docket 94.2.8. Staff recommends interim approval. Commissioner Fisher moved to grant interim approval. Commissioner Rowe seconded the motion, - which passed unanimously. Commissioners Anderson and Oberg voted aye.

APPEARANCE

Bonnie Lorang
Transportation Division

(247) In the matter of Docket No. T-94.100.PCN- McGree Corporation, Butte, Montana applied for a Montana Intrastate Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity and parties have stipulated to the following grant of authority which is supported by shipper affidavits:

Class B - Persons and baggage by charter between points in Silver Bow County on the one hand and points and places in Montana on the other. Limitations:. 1. Transportation of passengers from Butte, Montana to Helena, Montana and points within a ten (10) mile radius thereof is prohibited. 2. Transportation of passengers from points in Lewis and Clark County, Montana is prohibited. 3. Transportation of passengers which both originates and terminates within a radius of fifty-five (55) miles of Butte, Montana is prohibited. 4. Transportation of passengers in limousine service between points in Silver Bow County on the one hand and points in Ravalli, Deer Lodge, Powell, Granite, Beaverhead, and Cascade Counties on the other hand is prohibited.

Commissioner Rowe moved to grant stipulated authority. Commissioner McCaffree seconded the motion, which passed. Commissioners McCaffree and Rowe voted aye. Commissioner Anderson voted aye and Commissioner Oberg voted aye via proxy to Commissioner Fisher. Commissioner Fisher abstained.

(248) In the matter of Docket T-524 - John H. Anderson, Harlowton, Montana, has requested

cancellation of Montana PSC No. 1449.

Class C_ property within the town of Shawmun, Montana, and to or from points tributary thereto, but within a distance not exceeding fifty (50) miles in any direction from said town, with the privilege of making occasional hauls of hay and grain not to exceed on hundred and fifty (150) miles from said town. Limitation: That transportation of ashes, trash waste, refuse, rubbish, and garbage is prohibited.

Commissioner Rowe moved to cancel PSC No. 1449. Commissioner Fisher seconded the motion, which passed unanimously. Commissioners Anderson and Oberg voted aye.

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(249) In the matter of Docket No. T-542 - Molerway Freight Lines, Inc., Billings, Montana has requested cancellation of Montana Certificates of Public Convenience and Necessity, PSC No. 3121.

Commissioner Rowe moved to cancel PSC No 3121. Commissioner Fisher seconded the motion, which passed unanimously. Commissioners Anderson and Oberg voted aye.

There being no further business to come before the Commission the meeting was adjourned.

NANCY McCAFFREE, Chair

DAVE FISHER, Vice Chair

BOB ANDERSON, Commissioner

DANNY OBERG, Commissioner

BOB ROWE, Commissioner

ATTEST:

Kathlene M. Anderson
Commission Secretary

(SEAL)

Minutes..... June 23, 1995
1:50 p.m. 112

At the meeting of the Public Service Commission of the State of Montana held at the Commission's Offices in Helena, Montana, on Friday, June 23, 1995, the following members were present:

Nancy McCaffree, Chair
Dave Fisher, Vice Chair
Bob Anderson, Commissioner

Commissioners Rowe and Oberg were absent and did not leave their votes.

APPEARANCE
Karen Finstad-Hammel
Legal Division

(250) In the matter of the USWC Notice of Introduction of "Calling Party Pays" or "Air Time Message Bill Processing & Inquiry Service." - Docket No. 94.3.1 1, Commissioner Anderson moved to adopt Order No. 5833a, approving to vacate procedure schedule & Establishing Record. Commissioner Fisher seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

APPEARANCE
Dennis Crawford
Utility Division

(251) In the matter of Training Master Meter Operators. Commissioner Commissioner Fisher moved to approve the contract. Commissioner Anderson seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

There being no further business to come before the Commission the meeting was adjourned.

NANCY McCAFFREE, Chair

DAVE FISHER, Vice Chair

BOB ANDERSON, Commissioner

ATTEST

Ann Purcell
Acting Commission Secretary

(SEAL)

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Nancy McCaffree, Chair
Dave Fisher, Vice Chair
Bob Anderson, Commissioner

Commissioners Rowe and Oberg were absent and did not leave their votes.

APPEARANCE
Karen Finstad-Hammel
Legal Division

(252) In the matter of the USWC Notice of Introduction of "Calling Party Pays" or "Air Time Message Bill Processing & Inquiry Service." - Docket No. 94.3.1 1, Commissioner Anderson moved to adopt Order No. 5833a, approving to vacate procedure schedule & Establishing Record. Commissioner Fisher seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

APPEARANCE
Dennis Crawford
Utility Division

(253) In the matter of Training Master Meter Operators. Commissioner Commissioner Fisher moved to approve the contract. Commmissioner Anderson seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

There being no further business to come before the Commission the meeting was adjourned.

NANCY McCAFFREE, Chair

DAVE FISHER, Vice Chair

BOB ANDERSON, Commissioner

ATTEST

Ann Purcell
Acting Commission Secretary

(SEAL)

Minutes..... June 26, 1995 10:00 a.m.
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At the meeting of the Public Service Commission of the State of Montana held at the Commission's Offices in Helena, Montana, on Monday, June 26, 1995, the following members were present:

Nancy McCaffree, Chair
Dave Fisher, Vice Chair
Bob Anderson, Commissioner
Danny Oberg, Commissioner
Bob Rowe Commissioner

APPEARANCE
Dan Elliott, Administrator
Utility Division

(254) In the matter of USWC - Docket N-95-46, On June 1, 1995, USWC filed Tariff Transmittal 95-12 to request authority to add "Caller Identification - Bulk" to its current list of CLASS services. This will allow CENTRON, Centrex, Multiline Hunt Group and PBX customers to receive call related information on calls that are received from outside their systems. Commissioner Rowe moved to approve the request to add "Caller Identification - Bulk" to its current list of Class services.. Commissioner Fisher seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

(255) In the matter of USWC - DOCKET NO. N-95-48, On June 8, 1995, USWC filed Tariff Transmittal 95-13 to request authority to run a Small Business Group Multi-Product Promotion from July 6, 1995 through August 4, 1995. During the promotion, the nonrecurring charge will be waived for existing business customers who sign-up for any of the numerous services included in the promotion. Commissioner Fisher moved to approve the authority to run a Small Business Group Multi-Product Promotion from July 6, 1995 through August 4, 1995. Commissioner Rowe seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

(256) In the matter of SMALL GAS UTILITIES, Final Orders have been drafted to close out the following dockets: Cut Bank Gas 93.7.31, 93.10.46 & 93.11.55; Shelby Gas Association 93.7.32 & 93.10.47; Town of Kevin 93.7.33, 93.10.48 & 93.11.5,6; Town of Sunburst 93.7.34, 93.10.49 & 93.11.57; and Great Falls Gas 93.10.50. Notices of Opportunity for Public Hearing were issued and no requests for hearing were received. Commissioner Oberg moved to adopt the Final Orders, approving close out of dockets. Commissioner Anderson seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

(257) In the matter of MONTANA POWER COMPANY-DOCKET N-95-47, On June 6, 1995, in compliance with Order No. 5017, MPC filed the annual update to its avoided cost tariff schedules:
QFLT- I and
STPP- 1. Commissioner Fisher moved to approve the updated tariff schedule. Commissioner Rowe seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

(258) In the matter of Sprint - DOCKET N-95-52, On June 12, 1995, Sprint filed to make several revisions to its Montana price list. Sprint's filing introduces a new service called Moonlight Madness which provides a rate of \$.09 per minute for direct dialed calls made between 9:00 pm and 8:59 am. The filing also makes some text changes to existing service descriptions. Commissioner Rowe moved to approve the filing. Commissioner Fisher seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

(259) In the matter of MONTANA POWER COMPANY - DOCKET N-95-55, On June 19, 1995, MPC filed a Motion for Waiver of Filing Deadline in its next rate case. Technically MPC is required to file its next electric and natural gas rate increase request on June 24, 1995. Commissioner Rowe moved to grant the motion to waiver the Filing Deadline to August 15, 1995. Commissioner Fisher seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

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APPEARANCE
Bonnie Lorang
Transportation Division

(260) In the matter of TN-1707 - Whitefish Sober Chauffeur Taxi, Inc., Whitefish, Montana requests permission to suspend PSC No. 8235 for an initial six month period, Commissioner Rowe moved to grant the suspension from June 1, 1995 to December 1, 1995.

Class B - Passengers and baggage within the City of Whitefish, Montana and a fifteen (15) mile radius thereof. Limitations: Carrier is prohibited from operating vehicles with a passenger capacity above eight (8).

Class B - Passengers and baggage between points in Whitefish, Montana, on the one hand, and the Kalispell bus depot, on the other. Limitations: (1) Carrier is prohibited from operating vehicles with a passenger capacity above eight (8). (2) - Transportation of passengers in limousine service is prohibited.

Commissioner Anderson seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

(261) In the matter of TN1703, Fergus County Council on Aging, Lewistown, Montana, PSC 9362, has requested to file provisions in Shuttle Service Tariff No. 1, allowing a reduced rate of \$1.00, applying on the transportation of persons to or from the Central Montana Fair, from July 23, 1995 through July 30, 1995. The current one-way fare is \$4.50. (No protests received) Commissioner Oberg moved to approve the tariff filing. Commissioner Rowe seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

There being no further business to come before the Commission the meeting was adjourned.

NANCY McCAFFREE, Chair

DAVE FISHER, Vice Chair

BOB ANDERSON, Commissioner

DANNY OBERG, Commissioner

BOB ROWE, Commissioner

ATTEST:

Ann Purcell

Acting Commission Secretary

Minutes..... June 27, 1995 9:30
a.m. 116

At the meeting of the Public Service Commission of the State of Montana held at the Commission's Offices in Helena, Montana, on Tuesday, June 27, 1995, the following members were present:

Nancy McCaffree, Chair
Dave Fisher, Vice Chair
Danny Oberg, Commissioner
Bob Rowe Commissioner

Commissioner Anderson was absent, but left his votes on the following items

APPEARANCE
Mike Lee, Robin McHugh

(262) In the matter of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) and its Notice of Proposed Rulemaking (NOPR) and draft comments from the PSC; Commission Rowe moved to develop for submission to FERC the draft comments done by Mike Lee, Staff Economist on the document issued by FERC commonly know. Commissioner Fisher seconded the motion which passed unanimously. Commissioner Anderson voted aye

APPEARANCE
Martin Jacobson

(263) In the matter of Docket No. TN 1706, of a petition from the City of Helena for a declaratory ruling on transportation of garbage from transfer station to landfill. Commissioner Rowe move to issue a notice of request for a declaratory ruling on certain transportation movements of garbage in Helena. Commissioner Fisher seconded the motion, which passed unanimously. Commissioner Anderson voted aye.

APPEARANCE
Robin McHugh, Wayne Budt

(264) In the matter of Affiliated Interest docket and its contract with consultant Tim Watson Docket No. N-93-67. Commissioner Rowe move to approve the amendments to the Third Supplemental Contract and the Fourth Supplemental Contract Agreement. Commissioner Fisher seconded the motion, which passed unanimously. Commissioner Anderson voted aye. Commissioner Fisher moved to grant the request from the industry as expressed by Attorney Bill Squires for a meeting. Said meeting will be July 12, 1995 at 1:00 p.m. Commissioner Oberg seconded the motion, which passed unanimously. Commissioner Anderson did not leave a vote on this matter.

APPEARANCE
Mike Sheard, Robin McHugh

(265) In the matter of a final order approving Class and Caller ID service offerings and altering certain provision of PTI's terms in offering Class services - Docket No. 94.10.44. Commissioner

Rowe moved to adopt the final order subject to edition correction .
 Commissioner Oberg seconded
 the motion, which failed. Commissioner Oberg and Rowe voted aye.
 Commissioner Anderson,
 McCaffree and Fisher dissented. Commissioner Oberg moved to allow continued
 offering of Class
 Service on an Interim Basis pending further Commission debate. Commissioner
 Fisher seconded the
 motion, which passed unanimously. Commissioner Anderson didn't leave a vote
 on this matter.

APPEARANCE

Mike Lee, Robin McHugh

(266) In the matter of the Montana Power tariffs for Rhone-Polanc Chemical
 - Docket No. N-95-54. Commissioner Oberg moved to approve the EIRA-2 tariff
 July 1st raising said tariff and directing
 MPC to account for funds with interest for rate adjustment to other classes in
 conjunction
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with subsequent rate change. Commissioner Rowe seconded the motion which
 passed
 unanimously. Commissioner Anderson did not leave a vote on this matter.

APPEARANCE

Robin McHugh, Mike Lee

(267) In the matter of the Montana Power Company Avoided Cost Tariffs and a
 motion from MPC
 to suspend such rates with certain exceptions - Docket No. 95.5.22 & N-95-53.
 Commissioner
 Fisher moved to approve NTC's June 13th on an interim basis LTQF avoided cost
 filing with final
 consideration to be done in a contemplated Cost of Service Case. MPC's May
 12th motion to
 suspend tariffs is denied by this action. Commissioner Rowe seconded the
 motion, which passed
 unanimously. Commissioner Anderson voted aye.

APPEARANCE

Wayne Budt

(268) In the matter of budget and certain travel expenses. Commissioner Oberg
 moved to approve
 out-of-state travel for Mike Lee to attend Summer NARUC meetings in San
 Francisco, CA in
 personal vehicle in an amount not greater than discounted plan tickets.
 Commissioner Fisher
 seconded the motion, which passed unanimously. Commissioner Anderson did not
 leave a vote on
 this matter.

There being no further business to come before the Commission the meeting was
 adjourned.

NANCY McCAFFREE, Chair

DAVE FISHER, Vice Chair

BOB ANDERSON, Commissioner

DANNY OBERG, Commissioner

BOB ROWE, Commissioner

ATTEST:

Ann Purcell
Acting Commission Secretary

(SEAL)

Minutes..... June 29, 1995 1:30 a.m.
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At the meeting of the Public Service Commission of the State of Montana held at the Commission's Offices in Helena, Montana, on Thursday, June 29, 1995, the following members were present:

Nancy McCaffree, Chair
Dave Fisher, Vice Chair
Bob Rowe Commissioner

Commissioners Oberg and Anderson were absent and did not leave votes on the following matters:

APPEARANCE

Robin McHugh, Dan Elliott, Wayne Budt

(269) In the matter of Consultant Services by Tim Watson; Commissioner Fisher moved to authorize up to \$7,500 for consulting service with Time Watson during July and August 1995. Commissioner Rowe seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

APPEARANCE

Wayne Budt, Laura Calkin, Dan Elliott, Robin McHugh

(270) In the matter of out-of-state travel; Commissioner Rowe moved to authorize Denise Peterson to attend the Pacifcorp Inter juridical TaskForce on Allocation in Nevada, August 17-18, 1995. Commissioner Fisher seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

There being no further business to come before the Commission the meeting was adjourned.

NANCY McCAFFREE, Chair

DAVE FISHER, Vice Chair

BOB ROWE, Commissioner

ATTEST:

Ann Purcell

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